

MR-10867 petition from ARRL is the better proposal for advancing Amateur Radio. As an Extra Class ham, I will receive no additional privileges but still feel that this change is necessary for our changing times. Working with Youth through the Club Stations at the middle and high school plus working with the Boy Scouts, I see a real need for the Novice or entry level to be created. The ARRL proposal is well thought out, in that there is a incentive to upgrade but the steps are small enough to be accomplished easily. The Radio Amateur Foundation would be to complicated and require too much change. The RAF proposes rewriting all of the test information, while the ARRL proposal would only create one new test pool for the Novice entry level Class. Furthermore, the RAF proposal for changing the test procedure would be impossible with the amount of information on the internet.

RM-10867 is the only reasonable solution. It is written with the best interest of Amateur Radio in mind, all the other proposals represent only the interest of that group and not the overall betterment of our hobby.